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November 12, 1987

Marietta Smith
Commissioner, ANC 1-A
3511 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20010

Re: Access to ANC Office

Dear Commissioner Smith:

This is in response to your October 30, 1987 letter to Corporation Counsel Frederick D. Cooke, Jr., asking for legal advice concerning your right as a Commissioner of ANC 1-A to have access to the ANC 1-A office after working hours and on weekends.

D.C. Code § 1-262(d) (1987) provides in pertinent part that "[e]ach Commission shall establish bylaws governing its operation and internal structure." (Emphasis added.) Thus, it is the responsibility of each Commission to establish rules or policies relating to such questions as the hours of operation of the Commission office, and who shall have access to the Commission office when it is not open to the public.

In short, your desire to have access to the ANC 1-A office after working hours and on weekends must be addressed to and resolved by the Commission members of ANC-1A, acting as a Commission.

Sincerely,

Margaret L. Hines

Deputy Corporation Counsel, D.C.

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